THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) 36

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No appointment on compassionate grounds has been given to the dependent of deceased employees of Government of India Press, Minto Road died in harness during the period from January, 1998 till date in the CPWD; and

(d) Employment to the family members of the employees who died in harness in the Government of India Press, Minto Road since 1998 could not be given due to the following reasons:—

(i) Non-availability of vacancies reserved for compassionate appointments as the number of vacancies for compassionate appointments has been restricted to 5% of the total direct recruitment quota; and

(ii) Compassionate appointment are being made in the respective categories as per the waiting lists, which are maintained according to the date of death of the government servants. The turn of dependents of the employees who have died in harness since January, 1998 has not yet matured.

Water Logging in the Capital

2464. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is lot of water-logging all over the Capital during rainy seasons;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the sewerage lines are not properly maintained casuing water-logging;

(c) what steps are being taken on war footing to set things right;

(d) whether Government have carmarked any special funds for this purpose; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Water-logging takes place in certain areas of the city during rainy season.

(b) and (c) The sewer system in Delhi is designed for disposal of waste water. The disposal of rain water takes place thrqugh storm water drains. Municipal Corporation of Delhi has reported that desilting of 1173 nallas, 35746 bell mouths, 42012 gully gratings, 2069 vertical chambers and 994.7 km. storm water drains was done between March to June, 2000. Delhi Jal Board has reported that nearly 75% work of desilting of internal sewers was completed between March and June, 2000. Instructions have also been issued to concerned authorities/local bodies to undertake cleaning and desilting work in an effective manner.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise in view of reply to (d) above.

Housing Scheme for Senior Citizens in Delhi

2465. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) drawn up a scheme to cater to the housing needs of senior citizens in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the main criteria of the eligibility of the proposed "Senior Citizen-friendly city" and

(d) by when the scheme is likely to be fully operational?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) No, Sir. However, a scheme for retiring Govt. Servants has, in principle, been approved.